

Maple Ridge This Month

MID MONTH JUNE 2019

ENGAGED: Car Free Day. This Weekend.

The Easiest Way to Get Your 10,000 Steps on Fathers Day!

What happens when local community groups are organizing events on the same day and decide to get together to create a new community celebration? The answer is 'Car Free Day.'

This Sunday, June 16, will be filled with fun events including a pancake breakfast, Race the Ridge Cycling Race, the Repair Café, a vintage car show, a craft beer festival, a food truck festival and add in some street vendors, roaming performers and live music and we have one heck of a great day. 224 Street will be closed to traffic so you can bring Dad downtown and hang out to catch any or all of the great events.

There's underground parking under City Hall, or you can bike to Memorial Peace Park which is the epicentre of this great day. Events will run from 9:00 am until 6:00 pm. Get your comfy shoes on and head downtown! Here's the link for more information mapleridge.ca/2250/Car-Free-Day.



ENGAGED: Honouring the First People of This land

June 22 is National Indigenous People's Day

In recognition of the National Indigenous People's Day Celebration (June 21), the Tenth Annual Aboriginal Day Community Festival will be held at Memorial Peace Park on Saturday, June 22 from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm. This event will highlight the heritage, cultural diversity and outstanding achievements of our First Nations, Inuit and Metis people.

The organizers have developed an action packed program to celebrate the day including Aboriginal games and interactive activities for citizens of all ages. Traditional dance, community displays and the opportunity to speak with elders will provide a wonderful opportunity to learn about First Nations, Inuit and Metis people, history and culture.

The Farmers Market will start at its usual 9:00 am time and the Aboriginal Day events will be focused in and around the bandstand at the centre of Memorial Peace Park. This event is organized by the Fraser River Indigenous Society. Hope to see you there!



INVOLVED: We're Looking for Volunteers

Celebrate Canada Day on Monday July 1, 2019

The Canada Day celebrations start at noon with the protocol event, singing of the National Anthem and the cutting of the Canada Day cake. Then the music starts! This year the bands include The Matinee, The Odds and Taylor James with special guest Joanie Bye pumping out the great music from the Main Stage in front of The ACT. There's great home grown Maple Ridge talent on the Community Star Stage where you'll also catch the multicultural fashion show. The Family Stage is dedicated to entertaining our young citizens (and the young at heart).

The celebration also includes the Haney Farmers Market, and artisan market, water spray and play area, food trucks, pony rides, roving street performers, games and a community BBQ. As the day wraps up at 6:00 pm gaze up into the sky for a special Canada day flyby and join in the singalong as we wish Canada a Happy birthday.

We're looking for volunteers to help make the day a special one. Email culture@mapleridge.ca to find out more about volunteer opportunities or how you can participate as an exhibitor. Watch www.mapleridge.ca/1744 for updates.



INFORMED: June



Council Meeting Schedule

Mayor and Council encourage everyone to attend these important public meetings. It's your chance to see how public policy is debated and enacted.

Tuesday, June 18

1:30 pm, Committee of the Whole - Council Chambers

3:00 pm, Council Workshop - Blaney Room

4:00 pm, Audit & Finance - Blaney Room

7:00 pm, Public Hearing - Council Chambers

Tuesday, June 25

1:30 pm, Council Workshop - Blaney Room

7:00 pm, Council Meeting - Council Chambers

Agendas & Minutes

Agendas for these meetings are posted online the Friday before the meeting date. Go to mapleridge.ca, click the link under Your Council on the home page.

Council Meeting Videos

If you are unable to attend a Council Meeting or Public Hearing meeting you can now watch these meetings on your computer 24/7. The entire unedited meetings are posted two to three days after the meeting. The video is indexed to the agenda package so that you can watch them in their entirety or click through by agenda item. Go to mapleridge.ca and click on the video link at the centre of the home page. In addition, Council meetings are now broadcast on the internet via live streaming using the same technology used for our live budget Q&A sessions. For more information about the live stream go to the 'Council Meetings' page at mapleridge.ca/640.

INFORMED:

Haney Farmer Market

Start Your Saturday Here

The Haney Farmers Market at Memorial Peace Park from May to the end of October. All your favourite vendors will be available from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm every Saturday morning in the heart of Maple Ridge.



This is the best place to start your weekend. Whether you're planning a family BBQ or picnic, your visit to the Market is a great way to stock up on all the fresh ingredients you need to create a fabulous feast for friends and family. You can pick out fresh produce, meats, artisan baking and get inspiring ideas from the vendors for some great new recipe.

There's live music at the 'Market Café' located west of the bandstand and you can have a bratwurst, hot coffee, pocket pie, cookies and other great treats as you visit with your friends. For more information on the Haney Farmers Market or volunteer opportunities please visit haneyfarmersmarket.org. See you this Saturday.

